

Claims

The following is a copy of Applicant's claims that identifies language being added with underlining ("___") and language being deleted with strikethrough ("—"), as is applicable:

1. (Original) A computer-readable medium having a program for composing a multimedia presentation from a plurality of media elements, the plurality of media elements including audio media elements and image elements, the image elements including at least one still image, the program comprising logic configured to:

determine at least one control setting, the control setting including the duration time for display of the at least one still image in an initial presentation; and

automatically compose the initial presentation, the initial presentation including the plurality of media elements, the initial presentation based in part on the duration time for the at least one still image and the initial presentation based in part on at least one time stamp associated with at least one of the media elements.

2. (Original) The program of claim 1, wherein the logic is further configured to display the initial presentation.

3. (Original) The program of claim 1, wherein the logic is further configured to display an image line, the image line showing the order of appearance of some of the image elements in the initial presentation.

4. (Original) The program of claim 1, wherein the logic is further configured to display a sound line, the sound line showing the order of expression of some of the audio elements in the initial presentation.

5. (Original) The program of claim 3, further comprising logic configured for editing the image line.

6. (Original) The program of claim 4, further comprising logic for editing the sound line.

7. (Original) The program of claim 1, further comprising logic for editing the initial presentation, the logic for editing configured to interface with a user, the logic for editing comprising logic for reordering the media elements.

8. (Original) The program of claim 7, further comprising logic for automatically composing an edited presentation based in part on the duration time for the at least one still image.

9. (Original) The program of claim 7, further comprising logic for automatically composing an edited presentation based in part on the interfacing with the user.

10. (Original) The program of claim 7, wherein the logic for editing further comprises logic for adding graphic elements.

11. (Original) The program of claim 7, wherein the logic for editing further comprises logic for adding text elements.

12. (Original) The program of claim 7, wherein the logic for editing further comprises logic for resetting control settings.

13. (Original) The program of claim 1, wherein the program is configured for operation on a personal computer.

14. (Original) A system for composing a multimedia presentation from a plurality of media elements, the plurality of media elements including audio elements, the plurality of media elements including image elements, the image elements including at least one still image, the system comprising:

means for determining at least one control setting, the control setting including the duration time for the at least one still image;

means for automatically composing an initial presentation, the initial presentation including the plurality of media elements, the initial presentation based in part on the duration time for the at least one still image and based in part on the time of recording of the plurality of media elements.

15. (Original) The system of claim 14, further comprising a means for displaying the initial presentation.

16. (Original) The system of claim 14, further comprising a means for displaying an image line, the image line showing the order of appearance of at least some of the image elements in the initial presentation.

17. (Original) The system of claim 14, further comprising a means for displaying a sound line, the sound line showing the order of expression of at least some of the sound elements in the initial presentation.

18. (Currently amended) A method for creating a multimedia presentation from a plurality of media elements, the plurality of media elements including audio elements and image elements, the image elements including at least one still image, the method comprising ~~the steps of:~~

determining at least one control setting, the control setting including the duration time for the at least one still image; and

automatically composing an initial presentation, the initial presentation including the plurality of media elements, the initial presentation based in part on the duration time for the at least one still image and in part on the time of recording of the plurality of media elements.

19. (Currently amended) The method of claim 18, further comprising ~~the step of~~ displaying the initial presentation.

20. (Currently amended) The method of claim 18, further comprising ~~the step of~~ displaying an image line, the image line showing the order of appearance of at least some of the image elements in the initial presentation.

21. (Currently amended) The method of claim 18, further comprising ~~the step of~~ displaying a sound line, the sound line showing the order of expression of at least some of the sound elements in the initial presentation.

22. (Currently amended) The system of claim 21, further comprising ~~the step of~~ editing the initial presentation, ~~the step of~~ editing including ~~the step of~~ reordering the media elements.

23. (Currently amended) The method of claim 22, further comprising ~~the step of~~ composing an edited presentation, the edited presentation based in part on the duration time for the at least one still image.

24. (Currently amended) The method of claim 22, further comprising ~~the step of~~ composing an edited presentation, the edited presentation based in part on the reordered media elements.

25. (Currently amended) The method of claim 22, wherein ~~the step of~~ editing further comprises ~~the step of~~ adding graphic elements.

26. (Currently amended) The method of claim 22, wherein ~~the step of~~ editing further comprises ~~the step of~~ adding text elements.

27. (Currently amended) The method of claim 22, wherein ~~the step of~~ editing further comprises ~~the step of~~ resetting control settings.

28. (Original) The method of claim 18, wherein the method is performed with a personal computer.

29. (New) The program of claim 1, wherein the logic configured to automatically compose an initial presentation is configured to automatically place selected digital image elements in chronological order.

30. (New) The program of claim 29, wherein the logic configured to automatically compose an initial presentation is further configured to bind audio elements to the selected image elements.

31. (New) The program of claim 30, wherein the logic configured to automatically compose an initial presentation is further configured to automatically place selected, unbound audio elements in chronological order.

32. (New) The program of claim 31, wherein the logic configured to automatically compose an initial presentation is further configured to combine the image elements and the audio elements as a presentation that can be presented to a user as an initial presentation that the user can review and edit.

33. (New) The program of claim 3, wherein the logic is further configured to display the image line in coordination with display of the presentation.

34. (New) The program of claim 4, wherein the logic is further configured to display the audio line in coordination with display of the presentation.